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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A process for the preparation of an olefin polymer by polymerization or copolymerization of an olefin of the formula R^a —CH—CH— R^b , in which R^a and R^b are identical or different and are a hydrogen atom or a hydrocarbon radical having 1 to 14 carbon atoms, or Ra and Rb, together with the atoms connecting them, can form a ring, at a temperature of from -60° to 200° C., at a pressure of from 0.5 to 100 bar, in solution, in suspension or in the gas phase, in the presence of a catalyst formed from a metallocene in the meso-form or a meso:rac mixture, with meso:rac>1:99, as transitionmetal compound and a cocatalyst, wherein the metallocene is a compound of the formula I,

$$R^4$$
 R^4
 R^4
 R^4
 R^5
 R^3
 R^7
 R^5
 R^5
 R^5
 R^7
 R^7
 R^6
 R^4
 R^4

in which M^1 is Zr or Hf, R^1 and R^2 are identical or different and are methyl or chlorine, R3 and R6 are identical or different and are methyl, isopropyl, phenyl, ethyl or trifluoromethyl, R^4 and R^5 are hydrogen or as defined for R^3 and R⁶, or R⁴ forms an aliphatic or aromatic ring with R⁶, or adjacent radicals R4 form a ring of this type, and R7 is a

radical, and m plus n is zero or 1.

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